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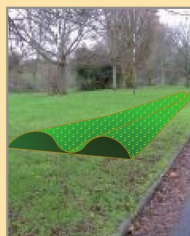
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A man was charged with murder after his wife was found dead with stab wounds at their home in Roade



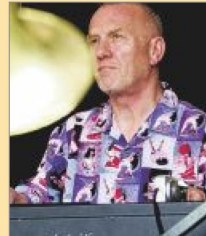
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STAGGERING

5,000 seek treatment after binge-drinking

THE number of people being admitted to A&E at hospitals in Northamptonshire for alcohol-related issues have risen by almost a quarter in the past three years.

Government figures released in response to a Parliamentary question from Labour MP for Northampton North, Sally Keeble, showed almost 5,000 people were taken to hospital and treated for the effects of binge drinking between March 2008 and April 2009, compared with less than 4,000 in 2006/07.

Mrs Keeble, who requested the data from the Department for Health after speaking to staff at Northampton General Hospital, said the statistics were "staggering". She said: "There is a whole range of concerns around this issue. The health impact of binge drinking is perhaps more easily quantifiable, but people are also concerned about the crime impact.

"When I spoke to staff at NGH they had concerns about the number of young people who were taken to

hospital and needing to be hydrated as a result of binge drinking."

Admissions of those aged between 16 and 24 rose to 679 in 2008/09, compared with 535 in 2006/07, meaning 10 young people each week in the county have to be treated for drinking too much alcohol.

Mrs Keeble said the numbers were disproportionately high for a county of Northamptonshire's size. She said: "If you consider the size of our population, we must rank among the very worst for admissions."

Piers Massey, nurse consultant at NGH's A&E department, said the reason for the rise was due to an increase in the number of middle-aged people coming to hospital with chronic alcohol problems.

He said: "These figures relate to alcohol conditions, and so will include those whose livers are not working after years of drinking.

"Friday nights will always be busy, but where we are seeing the increase is among the 35 plus age group who may now be creating alcohol dependencies drinking wine at home."



MP Sally Keeble is concerned at the amount of alcohol-related admissions to hospitals and feel new binge-drinking proposals do not go far enough

MP wants strict rules

PROPOSALS to stamp out binge drinking do not go far enough to stop youngsters abusing alcohol, MP Sally Keeble has said.

Mrs Keeble, who has been campaigning for a minimum price for alcohol units, welcomed changes proposed by Government on Tuesday, which included banning promotions such as buy-one-get-one-free or "all-you-can-drink" sessions.

But she said: "The key problems will still be price and availability. Teenagers do not have access to vast amounts of money and yet they are able to go out and get very drunk.

"The concerns this raises are huge. Young people tend to drink in public places, because they cannot get into nightclubs and pubs to get served. They could be leaving themselves at risk of assault if they get drunk and pass out.

"A minimum price for alcohol would not hurt businesses in the alcohol industry, as it would allow them to compete with big supermarkets."

She added she would continue to campaign for more to be done about the problem, and said: "It's welcome that the Government is tackling the binge drinking in pubs and clubs.

"However, there has to be a level playing field between pubs and clubs and the supermarkets which sell alcohol at discounted prices."

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The list also shows plans which firms have to expand existing supermarkets as well as other areas of the town which have been identified as possible sites for stores.

Among the largest revelations is confirmation of the long-rumoured possibility of Tesco taking over the former Royal Mail sorting office in Barrack Road.

The WNDC's documents show Tesco

had meetings with the organisation to discuss the mail site in September last year and more are planned for the future.

Other plans also highlighted by Tesco show the firm has scaled back its plans to expand its Mereway store and is considering expanding its Weston Favell branch.

Discussing the Barrack Road plans, Tesco spokesman, Tony Fletcher, said: "This has been discussed, we can't deny that, but there's no formal conclusion."

The WNDC's documents also reveal meetings were held with Waitrose in November to discuss building a store similar to its Kingsthorpe branch near to the Wyevalle Garden Centre in Newport Pagnell Road, Wootton.

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Rachel and Ben Kingham at Franklin's Gardens with birthday boy Arthur.

Arthur has big day out

A TODDLER with a rare form of cancer celebrated his second birthday with family and friends last weekend by watching the Northampton Saints' Heineken Cup, game after spending months in hospital.

Parents Rachel and Ben Kingham were delighted to be able to take their son Arthur, who turned two on Saturday, to the Saints v Perpignan game at Franklin's Gardens.

Arthur has been in Leicester Royal Infirmary hospital since May last year. He was diagnosed with a cancer called rhabdomyosarcoma which affects soft tissue. In Arthur's case it was in his thigh.

Mrs Kingham, aged 35, of Mawley, said: "We found a small lump in March of last year and in May Arthur was diagnosed with cancer. The diagnosis came out of the blue and we started the treatment immediately."

In August last year the situation looked bleak.

"We got to the stage where we were hours from having his leg amputated and that we were facing a life without Arthur. But in the end the treatment shrunk his tumour and he is doing a lot better. He had an operation in November to remove two of his four quadriceps muscles."

With the intense hospital treatment, any time the family can restore a sense of normality is precious. The chance to watch the Saints was a special moment for Rachel, Ben and Arthur.

"Arthur was excited to be watching all the people running around," Mrs Kingham said.

"He was a bit scared to see so many people as we have been in hospital for so long, but he was looking around and taking it all in."

Arthur was unable to see all of the game as he started to feel unwell and had to return to the hospital.

Even though the family have had to cope with Arthur's illness, they say they are happy to still have their smiling, happy little boy and count themselves lucky.

Mrs Kingham said: "We have seen so many people come and go in hospital. Some people lose their children, we are the lucky ones." Eventually we will be bringing him home."

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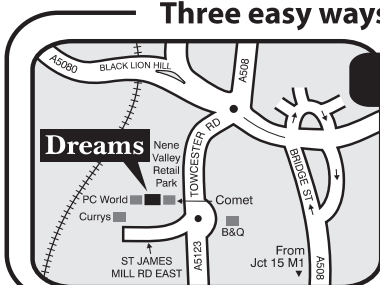
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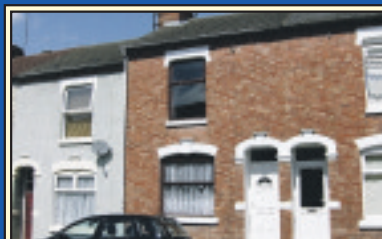
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By Christopher Goodfellow

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Jobseekers are landing dream jobs in their area regardless of the economic climate. With the right kind of follow-up calls and a fresh approach to CV formatting it is still possible to get the position perfect position, even in a market flooded with candidates.

Andrew Dickinson, who was recently appointed as technical manager at internationally famous drama school Italia Conti, said he used a number of job boards when searching for a role.

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The increase in number of applications employers are receiving means jobseekers' CVs and cover letters need to be clearly state how they meet the criteria for the position.

"When making an application you have to get straight to the point, don't mess around giving employers loads of superfluous information and try and use key words from the job advertisements," said Rebecca Clarke, resourcing adviser at the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development.

Laura Justice, who just landed

her dream job as an extras agent in London, said that she used a mixture of networking, job boards and local advertising in her hunt for a position.



"I emailed my CV and had to provide a reference before the interview. I think it was crucial to make it a lot more detailed and include all of my responsibilities on a day-to-day basis, as well as what I have achieved over the last two years," she said.

Formatting a curriculum vitae in a functional style can also help jobseekers find work outside of their previous experience. This

method lists a candidate's skills on the front page, rather than beginning with a bullet point job history in the traditional style.

"It's getting people interviews, there's no two way about that," said career coach Tim Curtis: "The danger with the traditional reverse chronological method is that if someone is skimming it to make a fairly instant decision they only look at the last job and don't take into account the different skills sets."

It has never been more crucial to contact employers after making your application, said Curtis: "Jobseekers have to make that follow-up call, without it you might as well put that curriculum vitae in the bin. You need to speak to someone, it's absolutely crucial."

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Super Saints

Jon Clarke's last-gasp try sealed a bonus point for Saints in their 34-0 Heineken Cup win over French side Perpignan



Water waste

The Cobblers Coca-Cola League Two clash at Macclesfield was called off due to a waterlogged pitch



Foden hoping to be given Nations chance

SUPER Saint Ben Foden has been told by England the Six Nations will be his chance to shine.

Foden was watched by the England coaches as he produced a man of the match display to inspire Saints to a 34-0 win over Perpignan on Sunday.

It was the first time the French champions had been 'nilled' in the Heineken Cup, and it was the first time they had been ripped apart by Foden.

The 24-year-old was 'livid' at not getting a chance in the autumn internationals, but England attack coach Brian Smith and boss Martin Johnson have reassured the inspirational full-back that he will be given game time in the Six Nations.

Foden set up the opening try on Sunday for Chris Ashton with a typically brilliant 40-metre burst, and was heavily involved in the final last-gasp fourth try from Jon Clarke that could be so crucial in the final reckoning to qualify for the quarter-finals.

After impressing in one top European encounter, Foden will want to do the same again against the two-time champions Munster at Thomond Park on Friday night.

"I have been on the fringes for a year and a half, so it is time I made the next step and put in a few performances and hopefully get some game time," said Foden.

"The England coaches were very positive in the way they talked to me. They were en-

thusiastic and said 'this is your time, you will get a better shot this time'.

"I am fit and healthy and raring to go, I am chomping at the bit. I saw the autumn series as a missed opportunity.

"They are giving me another go at it and I will go to the training and really throw it down to Delon (Armitage). He is back playing brilliantly, so I have got to be at the top of my game if I am going to knock somebody like him out of the 15 shirt.

"Our Heineken Cup qualification hopes go on to the last game at Munster, which is an occasion that every player dreams of.

"To play one of the best teams in Europe away with everything to play for is going to be quite something."

Foden added: "England have said I have been called up as a specialist full-back with Delon.

"What they said was very positive.

"I have got one more game to justify being selected and push for that shirt.

"Delon was probably the stand out player from the Six Nations for England last year.

"I played against him recently, I know he is at the top of his game and I didn't have my best game that week with Brian Smith watching.

"I want to be pushed as a player and push Delon.

"If you have two players pushing each other along then it will bring out better performances and is good for the red rose."



SQUEEZING OVER - Lee Dickson scores one of Saints' four tries in their 34-0 win over Perpignan at Franklin's Gardens on Sunday

PICTURE: LINDA DAWSON

Sammo: Town can take strain

IAN SAMPSON is confident his Cobblers squad will be able to stand the strain of a congested fixture list over the next three weeks.

Last night's game at Macclesfield was the first in a run of six matches in the space of 17 days that will stretch the Town players to breaking point.

They also face trips to Darlington and Dagenham & Redbridge in that spell, and home games against Accrington Stanley, Burton Albion and Chesterfield.

But with only Liam Davis and Steve Guinan sidelined through injury, and three new signings arriving at the club earlier in the month, the number of players available to select from stands at a very healthy 24.

As well as having the quantity, Sampson also feels he now has the quality and is confident any of the men on the books at Sixfields can perform in the first 11.

"I'm happy that I'm carrying a decent sized-squad with the games we're going to be playing in the next few weeks," said Sampson.

"The group of players we've got here will be tested to the full in the upcoming weeks, and it will be nice to have a few options.

"I would say that most of the players we've got in the club are capable of playing the first team now, so I'm very happy with the squad I've got."

The return of Davis and Guinan will make it 26, but neither will be rushed back into first-team training.

Both have returned to light jogging and will increase options for the management when they do declare themselves 100 per cent fit.

"Liam started running on Friday on the treadmill but we'll get him out on the grass this week," he said.

"Steve Guinan has already been running on the grass so in the next couple of weeks, touch wood, we should have a fully-fit squad."

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